

CHARGES LOOK BLACK.

Twelve Distinct Accusations
Against Supt. Hitchcock.

ANY ONE OF THEM IS SUFFICIENT

To Be Good Cause for His Removal—
H. A. Householder Prejudiced in
Hitchcock's Interest.

Both sides are busy preparing for the reform school investigation. Superintendent Hitchcock spends a portion of his time conferring with state officers trying to explain away the charges and clear himself in the eyes of his Populist friends.

Noah Allen, who has charge of the case for the complainants is also active. He says that if the board shows a disposition to not give them fair treatment, the charges will be immediately withdrawn. Then they will be placed before the governor.

Mr. Allen says that the charges were presented to the board to save expense, but that their unfavorable action will not operate as a check to the investigation.

There are twelve distinct charges against Hitchcock. They say that he does not enforce proper discipline and allows employees to fight and use profane and vulgar language in the presence of the boys; that he has an ungovernable temper and can not work in harmony with the employees; that the funds furnished are imprudently expended; that through his negligence \$300 worth of meat belonging to the state was destroyed by fire; that he assisted in the escape of a boy named Rich; that there are no rules whereby all boys are judged and demerited alike for the same offense.

There are six instances of cruelty cited among these being those already told in the JOURNAL. Others are: That he compelled boys to wear light summer clothing in extreme cold weather; that he compelled boys to work out doors bareheaded in extreme cold weather, while all employees wear gloves or mittens; that he compelled boys while putting up ices to continue work in their wet clothing after falling into the water.

Some of the employees assert that Hitchcock is under financial obligations to Mr. Householder, the chairman of the state board of charities. They say that he has said that he did not think there were any grounds for the charges, so they do not expect him to be impartial in the investigation.

The witnesses who will be asked to testify before the board are: Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Post, W. W. Wiley, J. C. Rossman, John Hinchcliff, D. T. Jones, J. C. Potts, Misses Florence Hinchcliff, Alice Hinchcliff, Mr. E. W. Justice and Dr. Harding.

PUT OFF A MONTH.

The Railroad Given Time to Prepare
Their Side of the Rate Case.

The railroad commissioners at 5 o'clock last evening granted the railroad representatives to May 18th in the freight rate hearing.

In the cross firing between Senator Leedy and the representatives of the railroads, he was driven to the admission that the petitions were all prepared under his direction and that they were sent to the chairman of the various People's party county central committees for circulation. He said he had sent them to Democrats because he didn't know them. Mr. Waggener stated "you used to."

Ex-Governor Robinson who was invited by state officials to be present, said that he hoped something might be done soon and he was sure that any sweeping action of the board to attempt to adjust rates would precipitate a legal fight and no relief would be secured.

"I believe," he said, "that the rate to which we should give our attention at once is that on wheat. It is no secret that the people of the great west region can not raise wheat at present prices and pay existing freight rates. I think we should give our special attention to that item, and the railroads should be asked to make a lower rate, even though they have to make the rate higher on other articles of merchandise, for it is to their interest that the great west shall not be depopulated."

General Bradshaw made an extended talk in general opposition to the railroads.

The adjournment was then taken.

Buffalo and Elk in Nebraska.
WASHINGTON, April 19.—The agricultural department has been notified that two herds of domestic buffalo and elk are to be found in Otero county, Nebraska. There is one group of nine animals and eight in the other. The owner collected the animals and is caring for them in the hope of being able to preserve the breeds for extinction.

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And Lots of Other Entertaining Things
Were Done by Old Soldiers.

The reception to Department Commander W. P. Campbell and staff, given last evening by the Grand Army Post of the city was a most enjoyable affair. The hall of Topeka Post at 420 Kansas avenue, was literally packed with comrades and their families. Judge John Guthrie acted as master of ceremonies. The musical jug club opened the programme with a selection. This club consists of about seven young men who play on guitar, harp and a jug which emits a sound similar to a tympanum. This was followed by a address of welcome by General J. C. Caldwell. He welcomed the department commander and staff and the members of the various posts. The Modoc club then favored the audience with a song.

Department Commander W. P. Campbell was next introduced and made an eloquent address. "Let us make the Grand Army greater socially, politically, and fraternally," he said that as he was the temporary leader of this department, he would try to perform his duties to the best of his ability. He told several amusing anecdotes. The Modocs then sang a song.

General A. B. Campbell was introduced, and said that so much had been said that he felt as if he could not add more. He tried to, however. He made a fiery speech and received applause on one of the efforts.

He said that when the last old soldier was dead there would be some one to say: "Here! Died on the field of honor."

Mr. McGregor then read an interesting paper on the Women's Relief Corps.

The star musical event of the evening was the duet by General A. B. Campbell and Sam Wood. They received a rousing encore and responded with a humorous waltz song. After the conclusion of the song the two comrades waltzed together on the stage. This brought down the house. Mrs. Volk, president of the W. R. C., gave an interesting talk.

Miss Wallace sang a solo very creditably.

D. C. Tillotson, who is always on hand at such demonstrations as this, made a speech in which he said that the Sons of Veterans were going to reverse the memory of their fathers after they were gone.

The chief mastering officer of Commander Campbell's staff then made a short talk.

Adjutant Charles Hutton then sang a very funny Irish song, and was called back, and responded with another one equally as good.

The Musical Jug club then closed the programme with another selection. After this those who cared to, met the commander and his staff; and nearly everybody cared to.

SNAP SHOTS AT HOME NEWS.

Not a peach blossom is to be seen.

The lawn mower season has arrived.

North Topeka has a full fledged athletic club.

The bank clerks are agitating a Saturday half holiday.

The cash in the state treasury was found to balance.

One Topeka lady says she hates the word "Mesdames."

Judge Hazen is fixing up his old home on Monroe street, handsomely.

Miss Blanche Williams will enter the piano solo contest at Hutchinson.

Labor Commissioner Todd has a great deal of confidence in the Kansas oil fields.

James Shaw has been made chairman of the finance committee of the board of education.

Eunice lodge, Degree of Honor, gave an enjoyable dance at 704 Kansas avenue last evening.

Ex-County Superintendent Jordan doesn't say much, but he is a politician nevertheless.

James H. Reeder, of Hays City, congressional candidate in the Sixth district, is in Topeka today.

Mrs. Leese says Laird & Lee are to publish her book, and the first edition is to be a half million copies.

Mrs. Mary E. Leese speaks at La Fayette, Ind., April 28, after which she will return to her home in Wichita.

Boys in the western part of town have invented go-carts with handles, on which they ride by working the handles.

The Shawnee county district court is in session every week in the year, and is rushed with business every day.

The students of the Hahnemann school of medicine were entertained Tuesday evening at Dr. Eva Harding's office.

The Topeka club house and the adjoining barn, recently damaged by fire, are being given a fresh coat of paint.

A boy who lives near Topeka, made \$150 selling young squirrels last year, and this year he hopes to do much better.

Scott Rice, the chief clerk in the secretary of state's office, is in Kansas City today putting a herd of his cattle on the market.

There is something about a brick sidewalk in the suburbs three feet below the grade, that is suggestive of a deep-laid plot.

A good looking girl whose hat escaped from her on Kansas avenue yesterday, was heard to swear. What man will cast the first stone?

The ladies of the English Lutheran church followed the example of the Baptist ladies and gave an experience social last evening.

It is said that W. H. Bennington was compelled to apologize for his attack on Frank Herald, at the Emporia conference Monday night.

Prof. Clarence Greeley, of Washburn college, sprang a straw hat on the streets yesterday, and he is agent for the international law and order society, too.

The advertisement of a prominent druggist of Topeka on a fence near the city, reads: "Save 10 per cent on your purchases by buying your drugs of—"

Topeka young men of the period are cultivating a large lump of hair on the back of the head. It gives a peculiarly repulsive appearance to a back view of them.

O. J. Burwell, who was pardoned from the penitentiary, came to Topeka last evening and met his daughter, who is responsible for his release. Words cannot describe the meeting.

George Gross one of the popular prisoners at the county jail, has been released by Judge Riner. He was charged with embezzlement. Gross was the jail barber and nurse, and Jailer Burdge doesn't know how to get along without him.

IT'S CALDWELL'S FAULT

The Blame For Not Having Our Dam Is
Laid Again.

We have a bone to pick with Judge Henry C. Caldwell of the United States circuit court and we fear his presidential boom will receive a severe set-back here where it originated.

We have just discovered that Judge Caldwell is responsible for the delay in the building of the dam.

We did not think Judge Caldwell would stand in the way of our getting the long waited for and long looked for dam, but we are told that he is responsible.

Mr. W. C. Stephenson of Bartholomew & Co. said today that people who have never had anything to do with building a dam have no idea of the amount of work to be done before actual building can be commenced on the dam itself. He said arrangements were all made for the construction of switches from the Santa Fe main line to the dam site but the road went into the hands of the receivers before the switches were built. Judge Caldwell insists that the employees shall be paid their back wages before the Santa Fe receivers build switches to dam sites. The employees of the Santa Fe will appreciate this but it is hard on the folks who have so wearily been waiting for the dam.

A STATE JOURNAL reporter was this morning informed (in confidence) that it is expected that work will be commenced and "stir" will be the foundation of Mr. Appleyard's woolen mill next week. The delay in getting Mr. Appleyard's new woolen mill started is all on account of the uncollected subscriptions. The railroads refuse to accept stock subscriptions, to the woolen enterprise, in payment of freight bills in bringing the machinery of the mill from Maine to Kansas, and that is the reason the mill is not here. Some of the subscriptions have been paid and they are all past due but the collector has been unable to convert the subscriptions into cash, either hard or soft money. The collector hopes for better luck, however, and expects work will be commenced on the mill next week.

THAT SUNDAY WALKOUT.

It Wasn't Dr. Harding But Miss Jewell of
New York.

A number of Kansas papers have taken up the statement that a lady went out of the Methodist church highly incensed on Sunday, because of Bishop Vincent's remarks on woman suffrage. The lady was not Dr. Eva Harding, president of the Topeka Equal Suffrage association, as it was erroneously stated by another paper.

Dr. Harding was not present at the church and says she only wishes she had been, in order to get up and go out at that time. The lady who did go out was a Miss Mary Jewell of New York city, who is visiting in the city. She was very indignant at Bishop Vincent's remarks.

She said she would be present at the Topeka Equal Suffrage association this afternoon, and says the subject will come up for discussion. Rev. A. S. Embree met Dr. Eva Harding on the street yesterday and told her that he had informed the bishop that the report was a mistake.

"You go right back and tell the bishop that I will always regret that I wasn't present and couldn't have the chance to get up and walk out," replied the doctor.

LOCAL MENTION.

S. R. Bagwell, who is now running an elevator at Clay Center, is visiting his brother-in-law, E. M. Cockrell, clerk of the circuit court.

Rev. Mr. Wilson and wife, who have been visiting their brother-in-law, Councilman Stephenson, returned to California today. Dr. Wilson was pastor of the First Methodist church in Topeka a number of years ago.

At the next meeting of the Saturday Night club T. F. Dora will read an essay on "Thorau."

Members of the club are making arrangements for their annual banquet, which will occur in about a month.

John Nelson, who was charged with disturbing the peace of Mrs. Flora Neugebauer in Parkdale, was fined \$5 in police court this morning.

Mrs. Neugebauer said Nelson called her a liar in a quarrel about a dog.

Editors Jeltz and Polk of the new colored daily, The World, say their paper will not support John Brown for auditor, although it will be "intensely Republican."

The first number of W. D. Driver's paper, The Blackman, will appear tomorrow.

A high school glee club has been organized with the following members: Earl Siles, Roy Bradford, David Norton, Dick Rodgers, Ed. Fox, Oscar Carlson, Wilkie Clock, George Beck, John Collins, Otis Dalton, Lee Forbes and Kenneth Wharry. Prof. C. M. Culver is training the boys.

GEMS OF THOUGHT.

Deep love can do much even when in deep poverty.

When you bury an evil habit, do not visit the grave too often.

"Pessimism," says Archbishop Ireland, "is the faith of cowards."

The usual fortune of complaint is to excite contempt more than pity.

Philanthropy is often not the love of man, but the love of being thought to love him.

Men of earnest thought and contemplation exercise a wonderful influence over men of action.

Most of our misfortunes are more supportable than the comments of our friends upon them.

No good man can ever be happy when he is unfit for the career of simple and commonplace duty.

Duty is carrying on promptly and faithfully the affairs now before you. It is to fulfill the claims of today.

If you are poor, yet pure and modestly aspiring, keep a vase of flowers on your table, and they will help to maintain your dignity and secure for you consideration and delicacy of behavior.—Montreal Star.

Adapting Themselves to Circumstances.

Little Boy—I staid in the parlor all last evening when Mr. Squeezum was callin on sister, just as you told me.

Mother—That's a good boy, and here is the candy I promised you. Did you get tired?

Little Boy—Oh, no! We played blind man's buff, and it would have been lots of fun only I was "it" nearly all the time.—Good News.

A RAILROAD VIEW.

A Railroad Man Thinks the Rail-
road Companies

HAVE GOOD CAUSE FOR COMPLAINT.

Other Railroad Matters of Interest—
General and Personal Notes.

"Have you seen the statement published yesterday in the papers to the effect that the forty-nine leading railroads of the United States earned \$5,475,000 less in March last than they did in the same month of 1893?" asked A. J. Hitt, assistant general superintendent of the Rock Island, as a reporter selected the best chair in his office yesterday.

The reporter had, and Mr. Hitt continued:

"Of these Kansas is particularly interested in the Santa Fe, which shows a decrease of \$555,139; the Missouri Pacific, with a decrease of \$326,612; the Rock Island, which earned \$40,994 less last month than it did in March last year, and the Kansas City, Fort Scott & Memphis, whose increase was \$36,807. It is not necessary to state the cause of this falling off of profits if we could; the fact that it exists is appalling enough. The idea prevalent among people who are not in a position to know anything at all about it, that the railroads are growing tremendously rich and that to be a railroad stockholder is to be a prince, would be laughable if it were not so absurd.

"The facts are, that competition is much closer now than it should be; roads make rates that they cannot afford, with the immense expenses they must meet, and yet these people insist that the railroads be taxed higher and in addition to this that they lower their rates in all departments.

"Our employees demand good pay and deserve it; the public itself demands fine depots and the service and equipment must be the best and we must keep fully up with the public needs and demands in all things, and yet we must take less money for our work and submit to increased taxation. Rates are lower now than they ever were before and I don't see how they are going to be much lower.

"Railroads go into the hands of receivers every week and get no pity. The railroads have made this country what it is and in return they get nothing from the country but abuse. Railroads give employment to armies of men at better wages than they can get anywhere else, and the American League of Laborers there is really such a thing as persecution in this country the railroads get their share."

RATES FOR TOPEKA TURNFEST.

Granted by the Trans-Missouri Association
June 1 to 6.

At the meeting of the Trans-Missouri Passenger association at Kansas City yesterday, a rate of one fare for the round trip was agreed upon to Topeka from all points in Kansas and from St. Joseph and Kansas City, in Missouri, from June 1st to 6th, inclusive, good for return until the 8th.

This is done on account of the Kansas Turnfest, which meets here June 2nd to 4th, the American League of Laborers of Kansas, June 4th and 5th, and the Republican state convention, which meets here on June 6th. This gives Topeka a solid week of excursion rates and a big crowd is expected. The rate is good on all roads running into the city and the first week of June will be a lively one here.

MANAGER FREY RETURNS.

He Thinks the Road Will Be Out of
Hands of Receivers.

General Manager J. J. Frey of the Santa Fe, arrived in Topeka at 10:35 this morning from New York city, where he has been attending the meeting of the committee on reorganization. Mr. Frey had a very pleasant trip. In speaking of the personnel of the committee appointed, he said that it is composed of some of the best financiers of the country. Under their direction he anticipates that the receivership can be abandoned before the end of the present year, unless the conditions of the country should grow much worse.

SHOPS AND OFFICES.

Some New Notes of Personal and General
Interest.

L. B. Evelyn of Kansas City visited the Rock Island offices today.

Rebuilt engine 269 left the Santa Fe round house today for Wellington.

Auditor W. McEwen of the Union Pacific, was here from Kansas City today.

J. H. Barrickman of St. Louis, traveling freight agent, is visiting the Union Pacific today.

E. St. John, general manager of the Rock Island, has returned to Chicago from his trip over the road.

Another long line of refrigerator cars went into the Santa Fe shops today to be put into shape for the summer.

There was a pretty heavy fall of snow along the Rock Island line from Limon to Colorado Springs this morning.

C. J. Devlin, superintendent of fuel and mines for the Santa Fe came in today on No. 5, in Colorado Midland car 99.

S. Mallison of Kansas City, and C. J. Bascom of Ellis, Kansas, came in over the Union Pacific on the steam car "Daisy," and are visiting Topeka today.

President R. R. Cable of the Rock Island, passed through the city last evening on his way to Chicago, and stopped over night at Horton. Benjamin Brewster of New York, first vice president, was with him.

The condition of the Missouri river at Winthrop, Mo., at Corries, the Santa Fe officials, within the past week the river has made an extended cut of nearly 80 feet into the east bank and is now within 120 feet of the Santa Fe track.

The washout of today alone amounted to 20 feet. Five years ago the government spent a great deal of money in riprapping at that side of the river, but it has been entirely around the government works.

The Santa Fe fire department, of which Jack O'Brien is chief, made another one of its effective runs this morning at 10 o'clock. Some unknown person set fire to a box car in the east end of the yards and if the fire had gained much headway several cars would have been destroyed. But the local department was on hand early and almost no damage was done. It is supposed a party of tramps built the fire in the car to keep warm by.

The grand jury investigation of the Rock Island train robbery case at Round

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Pond ended last evening and resulted in the finding of five indictments, one against John Conner for train robbery and horse stealing, one against Frank Lacy for the same, one against Bragh for horse stealing, one against Elwood for harboring stolen goods and one against Childers for criminal knowledge. The Rock Island is very well satisfied with the result of the investigation.

The Y. M. C. A. meeting at the shops this noon was well attended. Owing to a change in the program, A. L. Gater of the national association will not speak here on the 22nd, but State Secretary F. G. A. Smith will probably address the meeting on that date. C. Salem D. Scott, who was buried here Tuesday, was a member of the R. R. Y. M. C. A. and had a large circle of friends. The Sunday afternoon gospel services will soon be held in the open air and an increased attendance is expected. Local Secretary Lerrigo will return in two weeks from visiting his parents in Los Angeles, California.

ALL ALONG THE LINES.
Railroad News Items Interesting to Rail-
roaders and the Public.

Ed Gibbons a Santa Fe boiler maker is laying off with a swollen arm, the result of a vaccination.

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